



# Hays County, Texas

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## Information for the News Media

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### Hays County Recycling/Solid Waste Centers Now Accept Electronics for Recycling

**Hays County Courthouse, San Marcos, TX** – With the start of the New Year, Hays County residents can now drop off many types of non-working or unwanted electronic devices for recycling at the County's two Recycling/Solid Waste Centers at no charge.

"Electronic components contain toxins that contribute to contaminating soil and water, so we want them out of the landfill, but they also contain minute amounts of precious metals and other recyclable materials that make them attractive to electronics recycling companies," Brooke Driskell, Natural Resources Manager for Hays County, said. "That makes it important to recycle them rather than put them into a landfill."

Electronics accepted at the County centers, free of charge, include PCs, laptops, servers, hard drives, tablets, flat-panel monitors, modems, switches, networking phone systems, routers and hubs, power supplies, cell phones, circuit boards, telecom equipment, televisions (except cathode ray tube TVs) PDU/power strips, printers, tape libraries, CD drives, floppy drives, wires and cables, keyboards, cameras and projectors, and communication equipment.

The centers will accept, but charge a disposal fee for household trash, construction debris, mattresses, tires, refrigerators, small household appliances, washers and dryers.

The centers do not accept anything pressurized, cathode ray tube (CRT) monitors and TVs, hazardous waste and biological hazardous waste.

The County's two solid waste/recycling centers are located at 1691 Carney Lane in Wimberley and 100 Darden Hill Road (County Road 162) in Driftwood. Centers are open Tuesday through Saturday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. except for official County holidays. For information about recycling of household hazardous waste, all materials accepted at the centers, fees, and other resources, visit <http://www.co.hays.tx.us/recycling-solid-waste-1.aspx>.